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In re Application of:

Hunter, et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231-9998

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, lines 1-4, please delete, "This application . . . 1997." and insert in lieu thereof

"This application claims the benefit of U.S. Non-Provisional patent Application No. 09/107,039,

which matured to U.S. Patent No. 6,223,172, issued April 24, 2001 which is based on U.S.

Provisional Application No. 60/063,785, U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/063,814, U.S.

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